



DON'T  
TRY TO  
GET  
FANCY.

YOU SHOULD  
BE ABLE TO DO  
IT IF YOU STICK  
TO THE  
BASICS.



EVEN I  
MANAGED  
IT, AND I  
HAVE NO  
COORDINA-  
TION AT  
ALL.

YOU  
CAN DO  
IT IF YOU  
JUST  
RELAX.



JUST  
KEEP YOUR  
BALANCE,  
WHILE SLOWLY  
SHIFTING  
YOUR WEIGHT  
TO THE BELTS  
ON YOUR  
WAIST AND  
LEGS.

STIFFEN  
THE  
MUSCLES  
OF YOUR  
UPPER BODY,  
AND LET  
YOUR LOWER  
BODY HANG  
LOOSE.



HERE  
YOU  
GO!



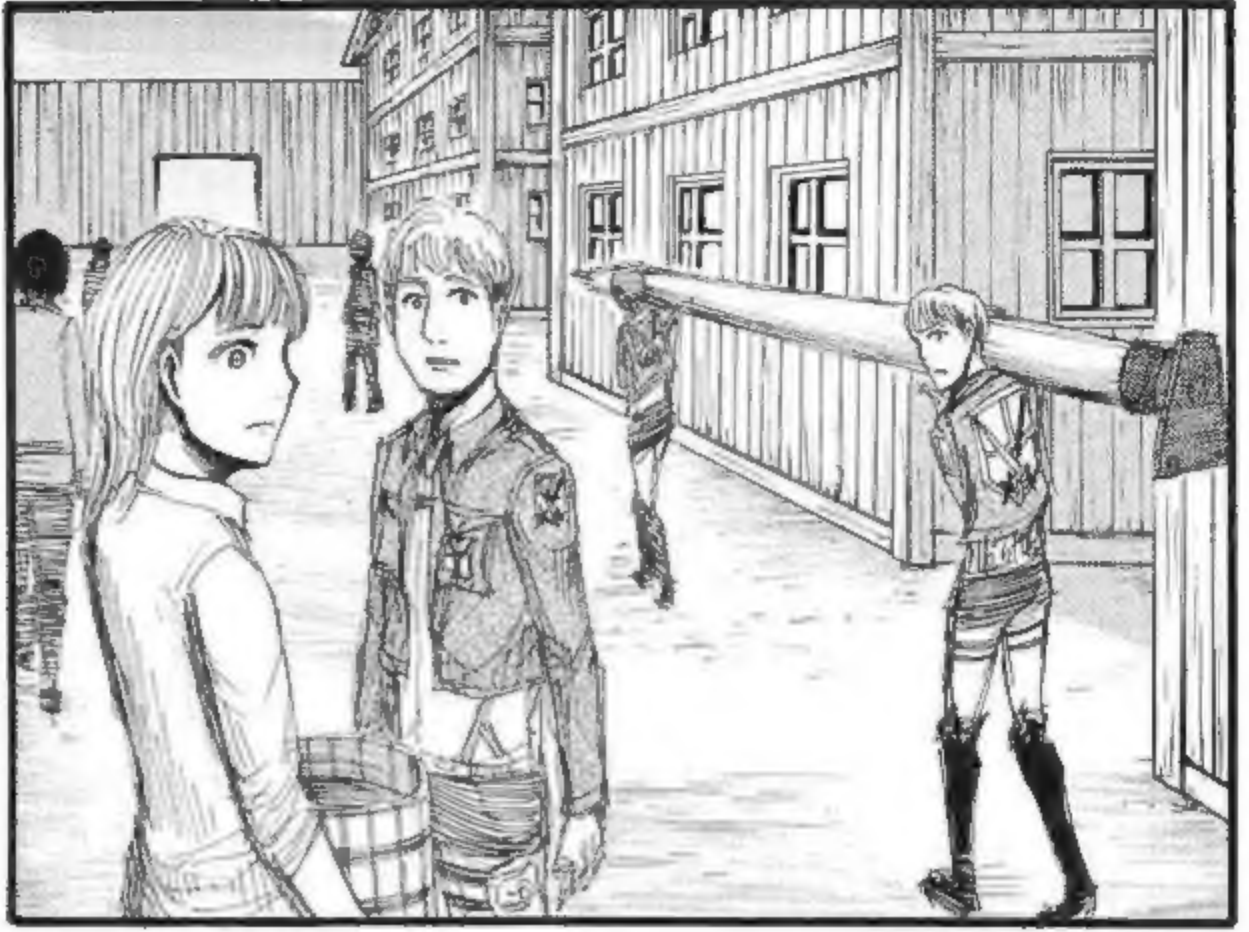
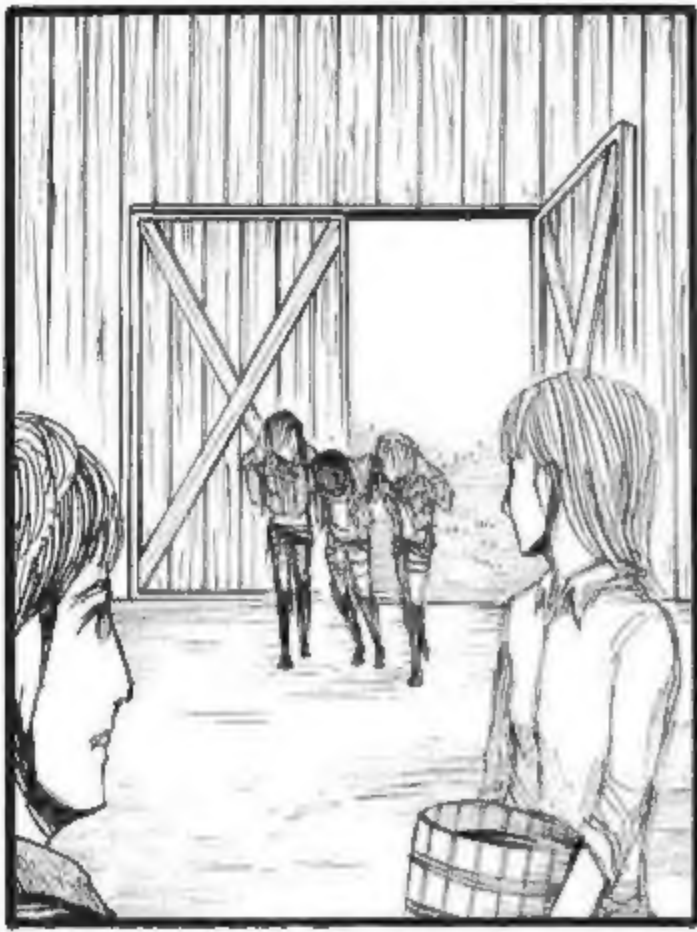
LIFT  
ME UP,  
ARMIN!

...I  
HAVE A  
FEELING  
I'LL GET  
IT THIS  
TIME.





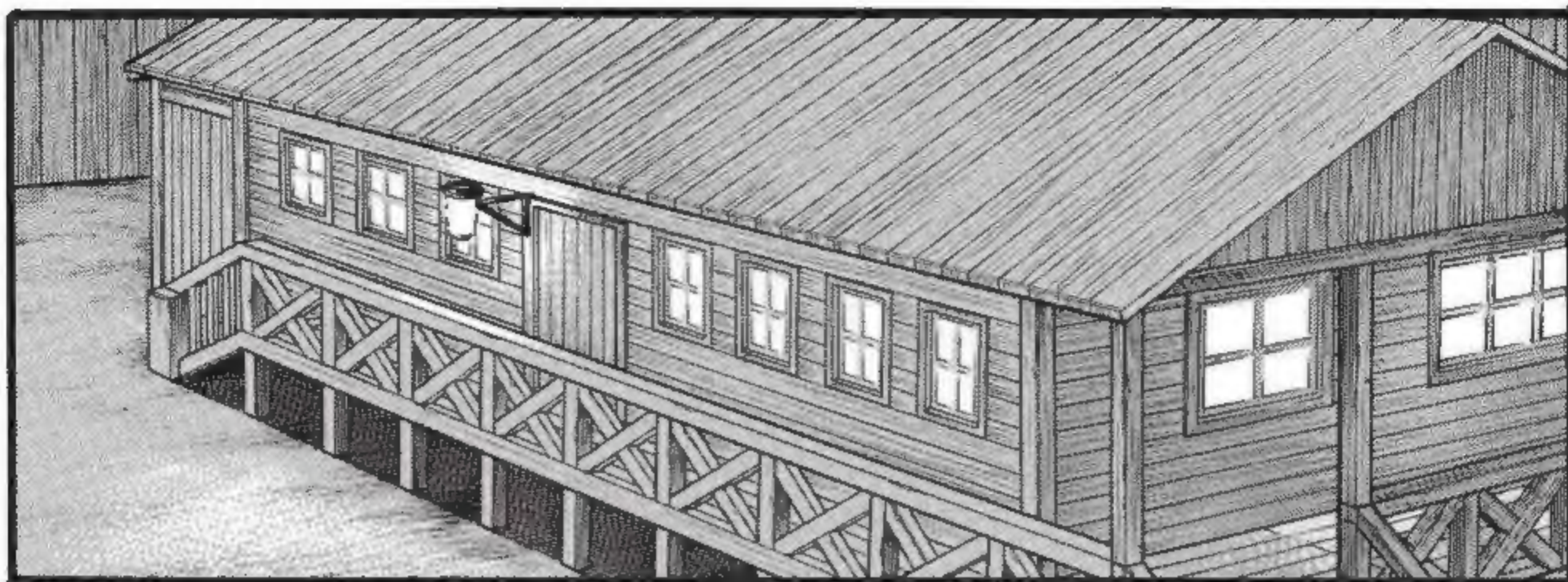




## Episode 16: Necessity







TELL ME ABOUT IT... HOW'S IT POSSIBLE FOR ANYONE NOT TO GRASP THAT?

AND HE'S ALREADY ALMOST KILLED HIMSELF ON STEP ONE, POSTURE CONTROL TRAINING!

HEY... LAST NIGHT, DIDN'T THAT GUY...

...SAY THAT HE WAS GONNA WIPE OUT THE TITANS?

OW!

EREN!

GOOD! THERE'S NO REASON TO WASTE FOOD ON HIM!

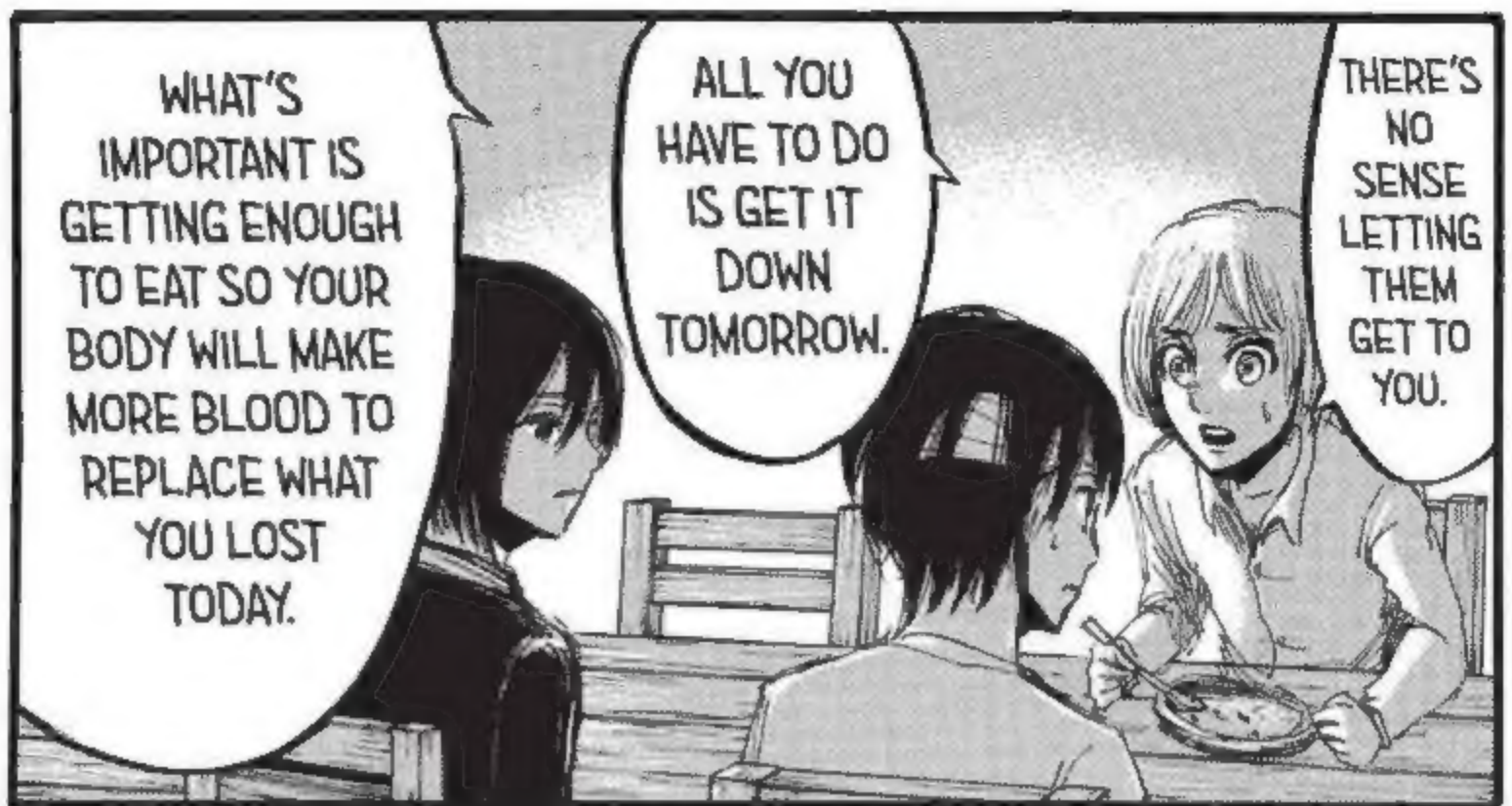
EREN...

HOW THE HELL DOES HE PLAN ON SLAUGHTERING THE TITANS ANYWAY?

YOU GOT ME... BUT AT THIS RATE, HE'LL BE KICKED OUT OF HERE BEFORE HE EVEN GETS A SHOT AT IT.

EREN...





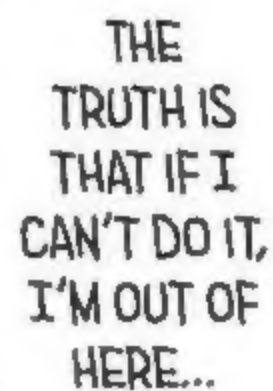




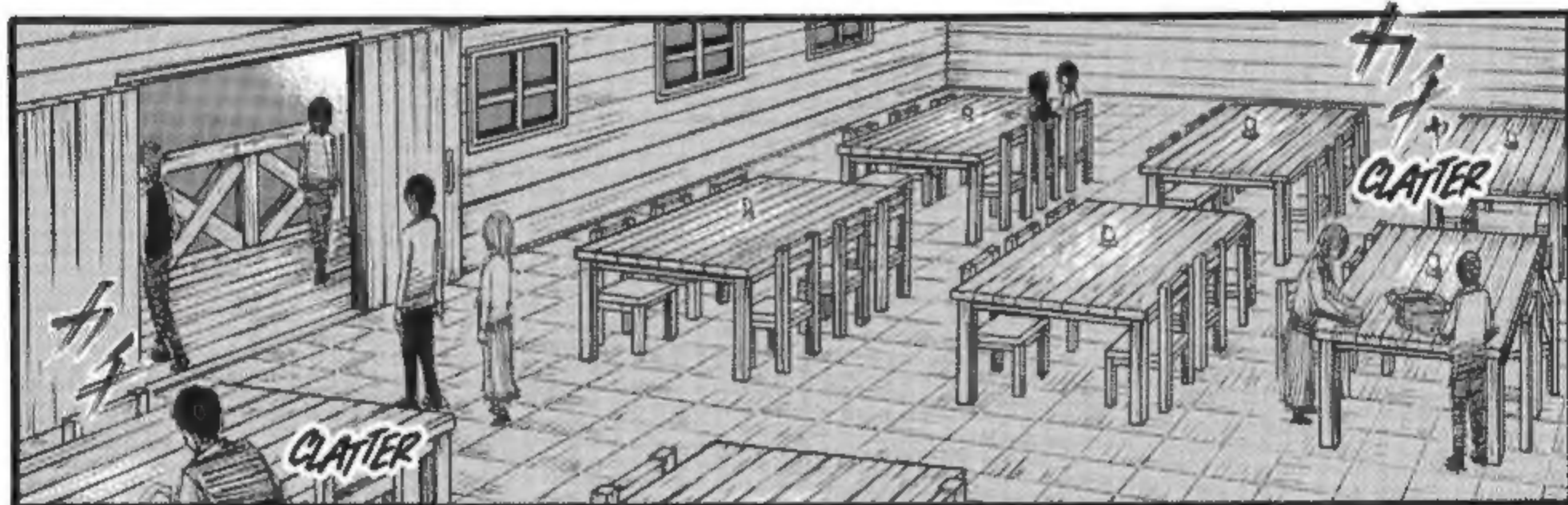




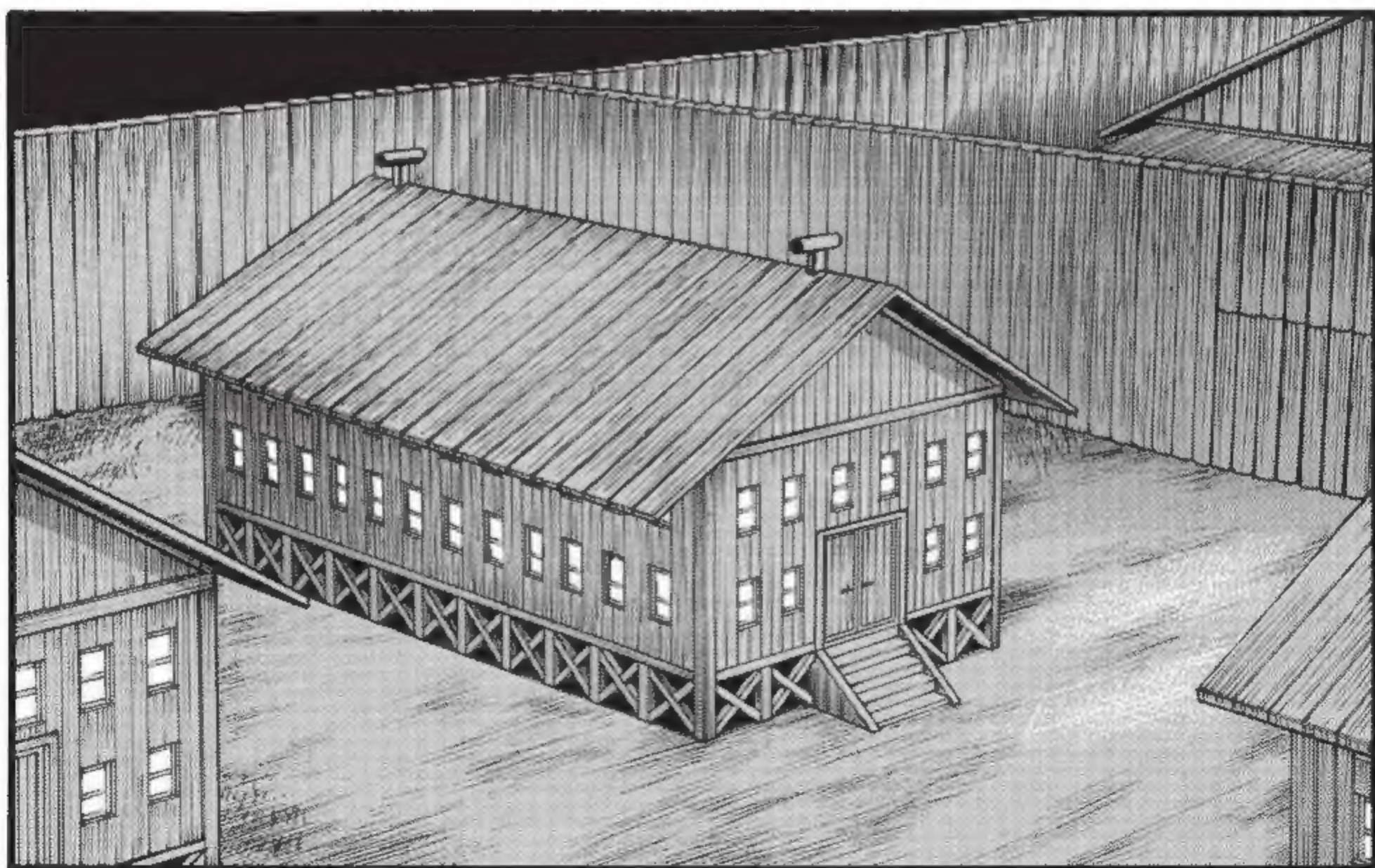
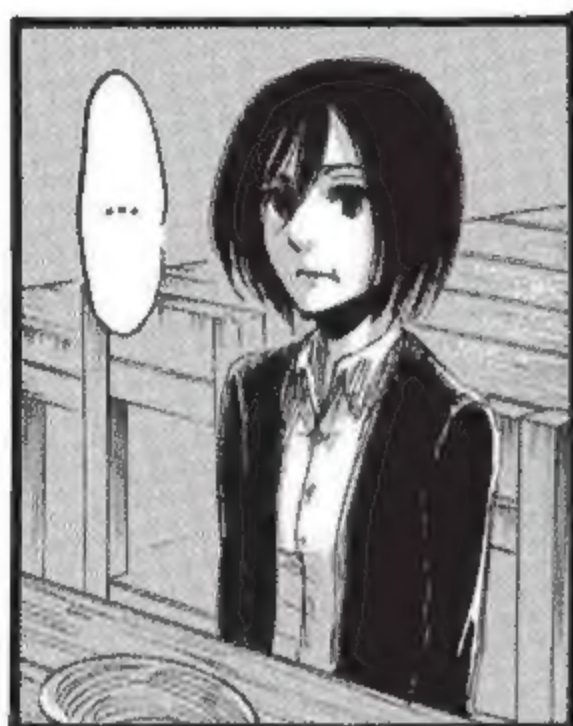




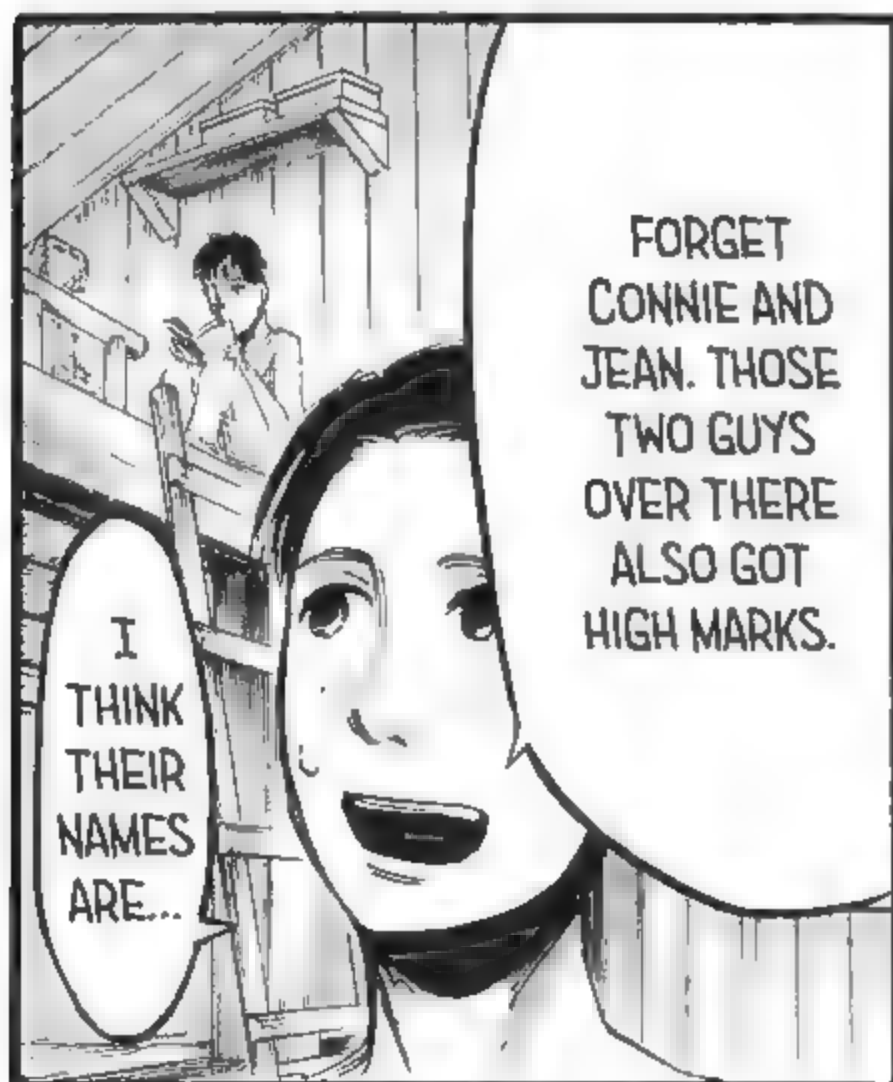
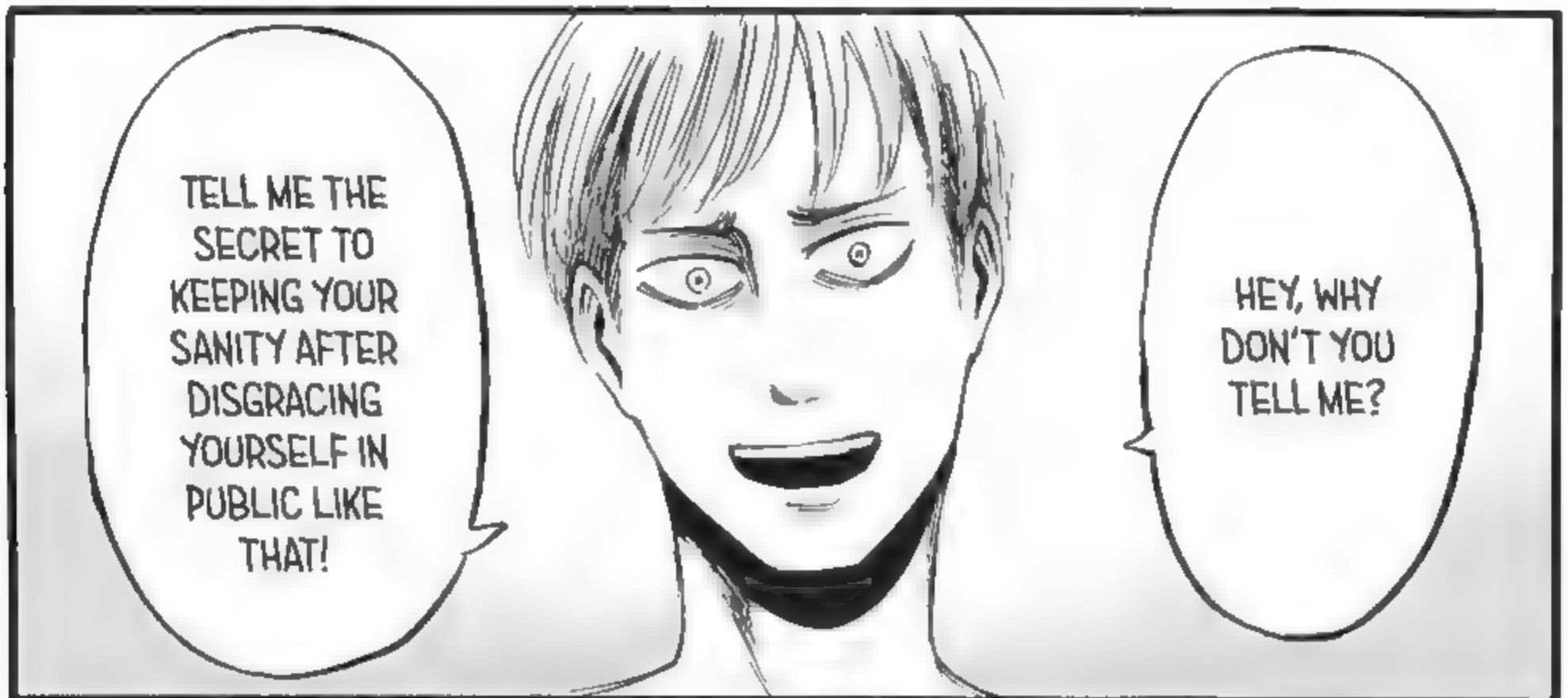




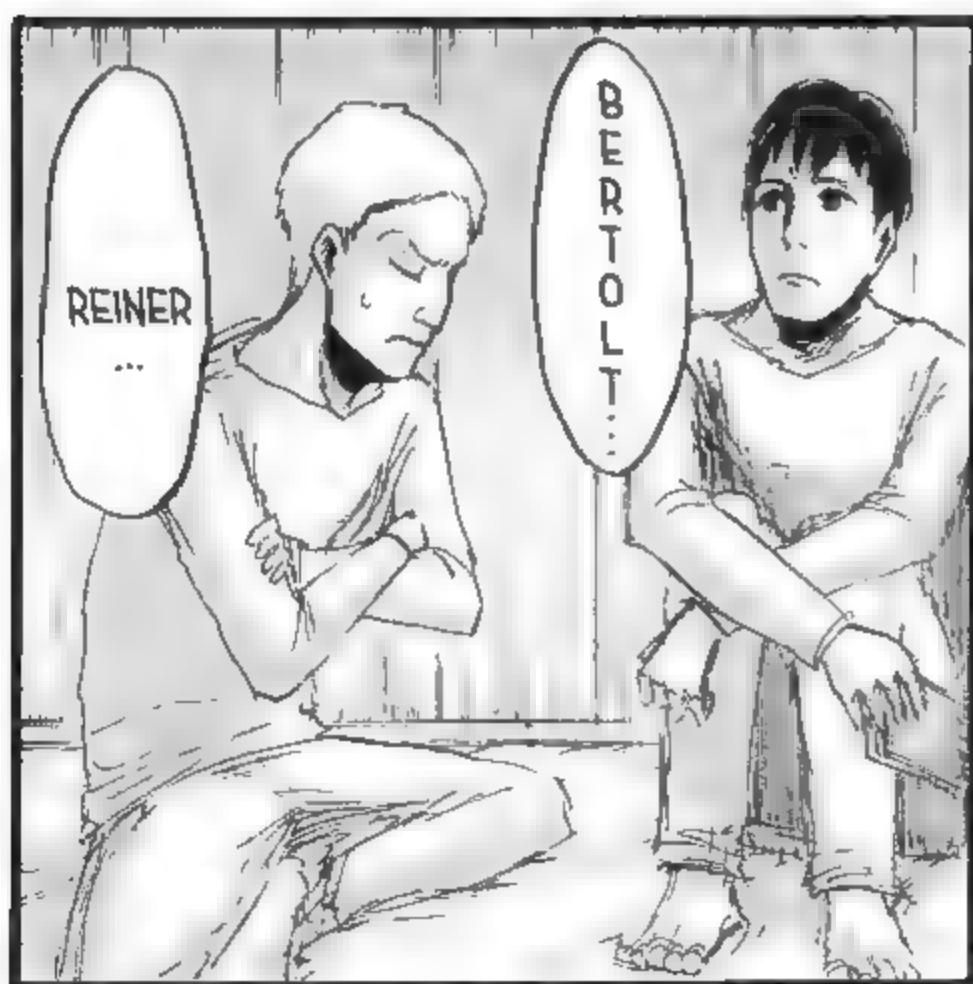












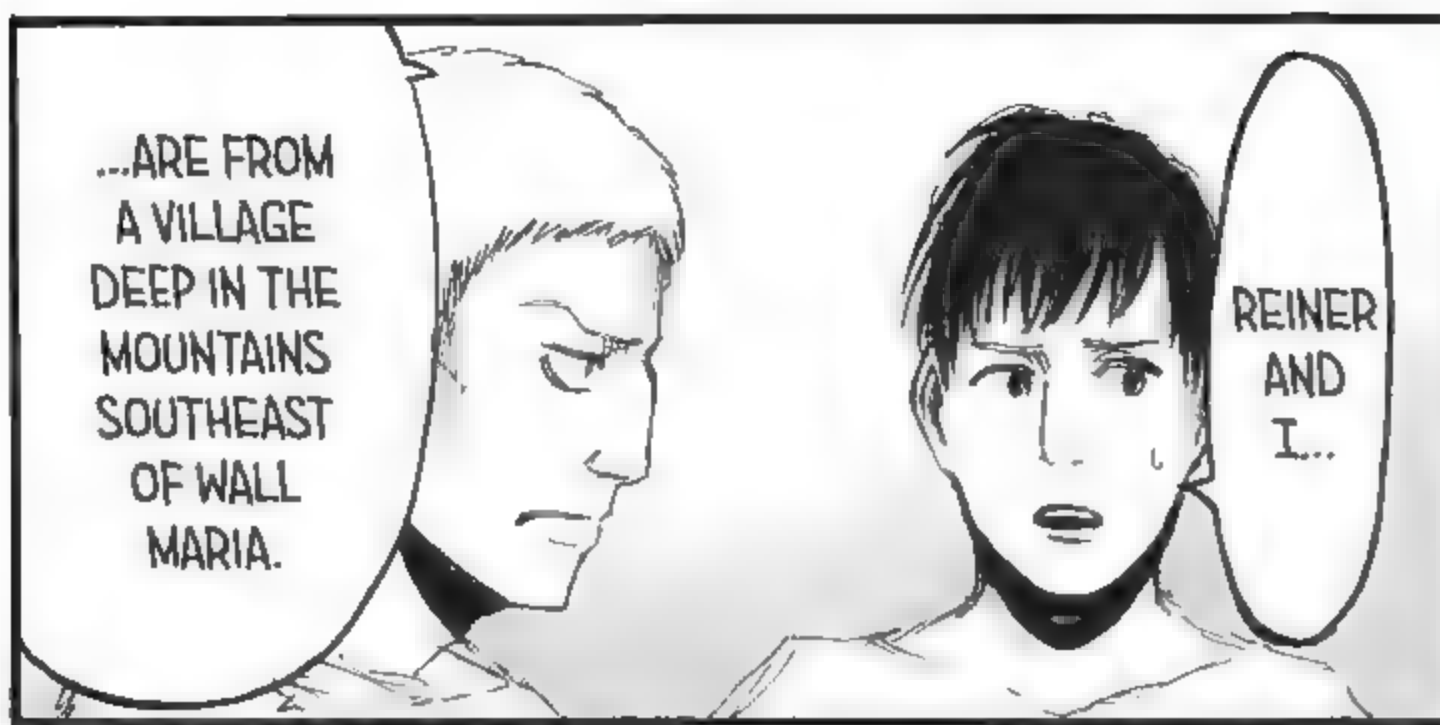




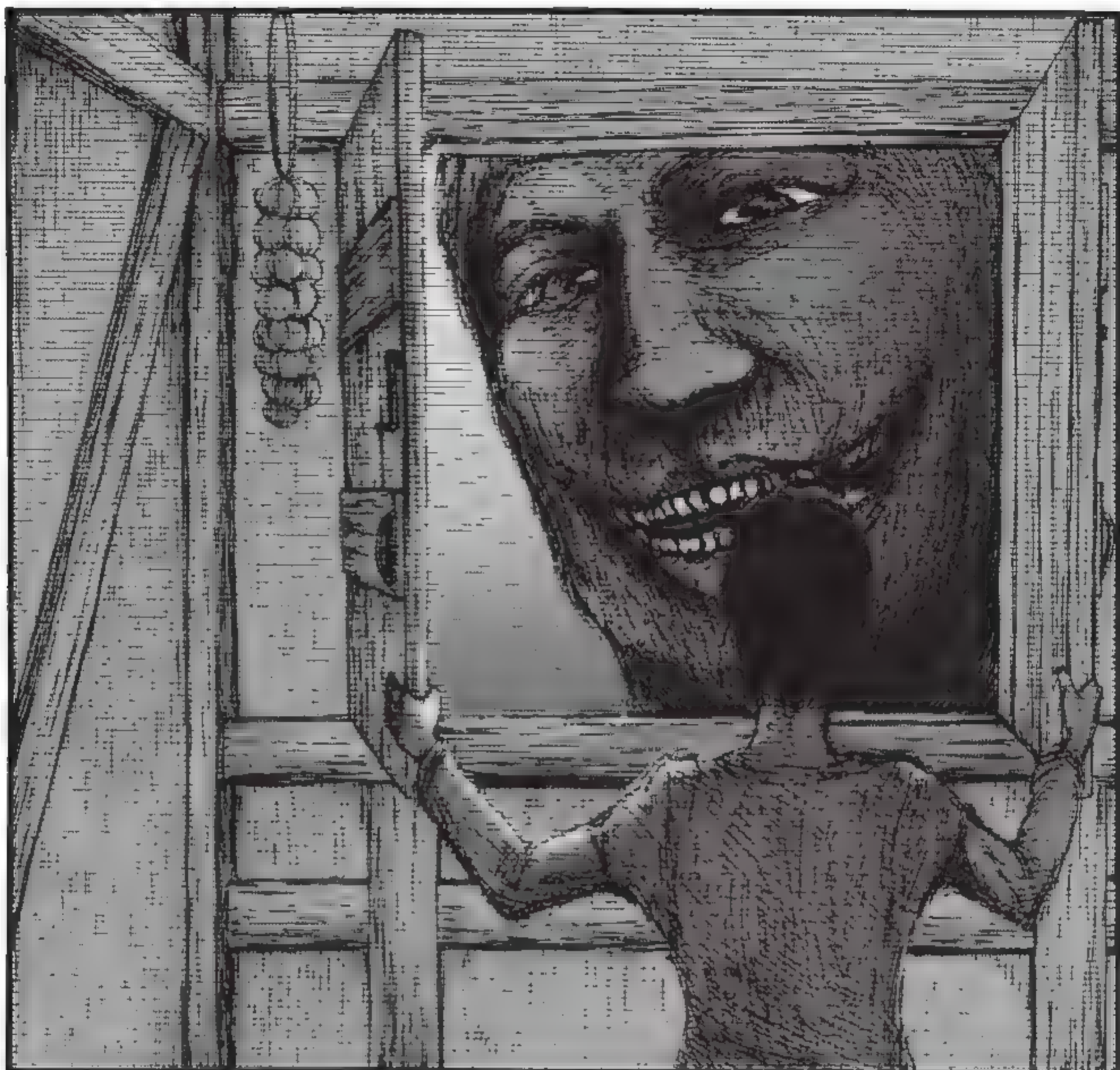












TWO  
YEARS OF  
SETTLEMENT  
WORK, THEN  
YOU CAME  
HERE...  
RIGHT?

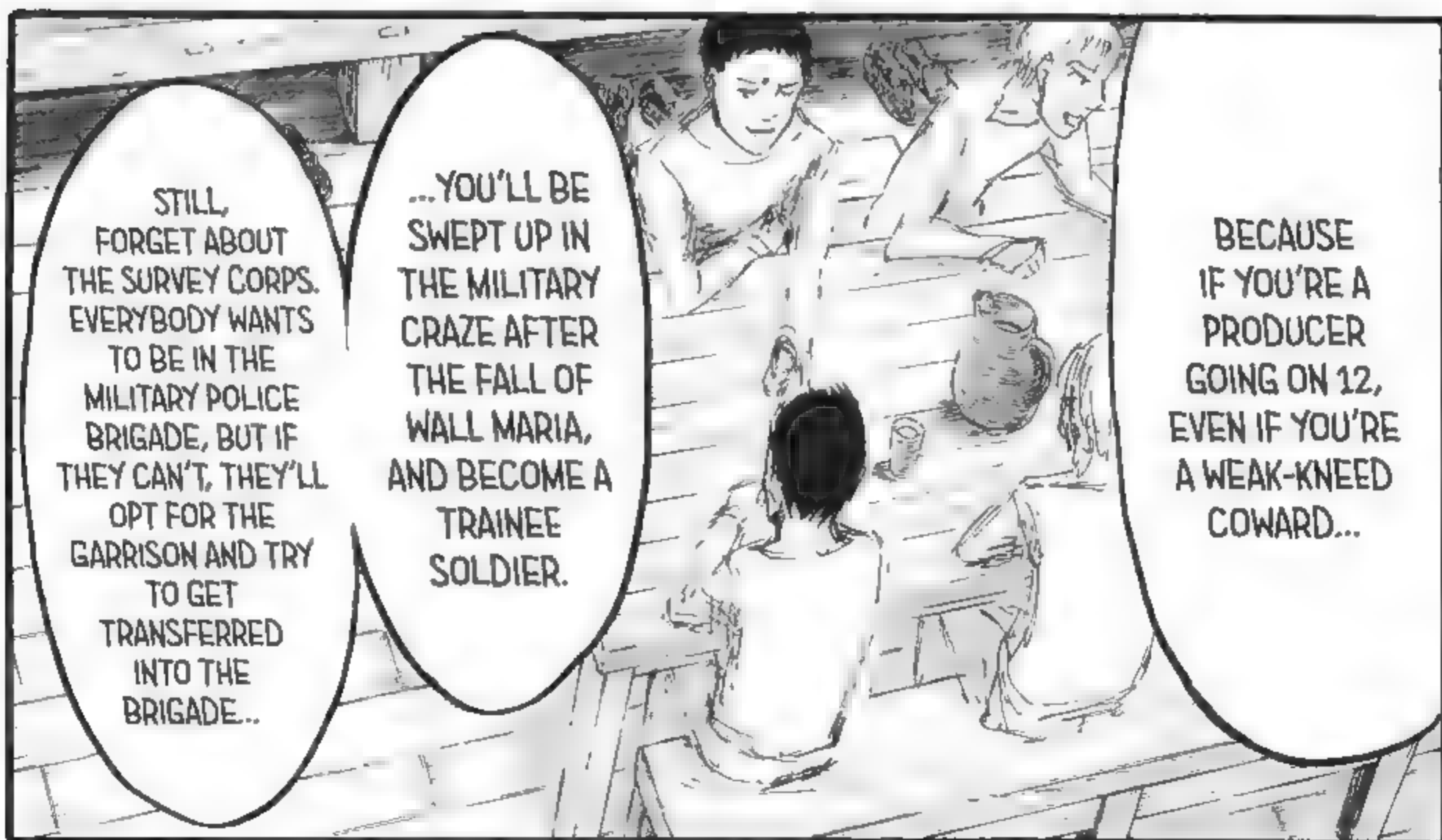
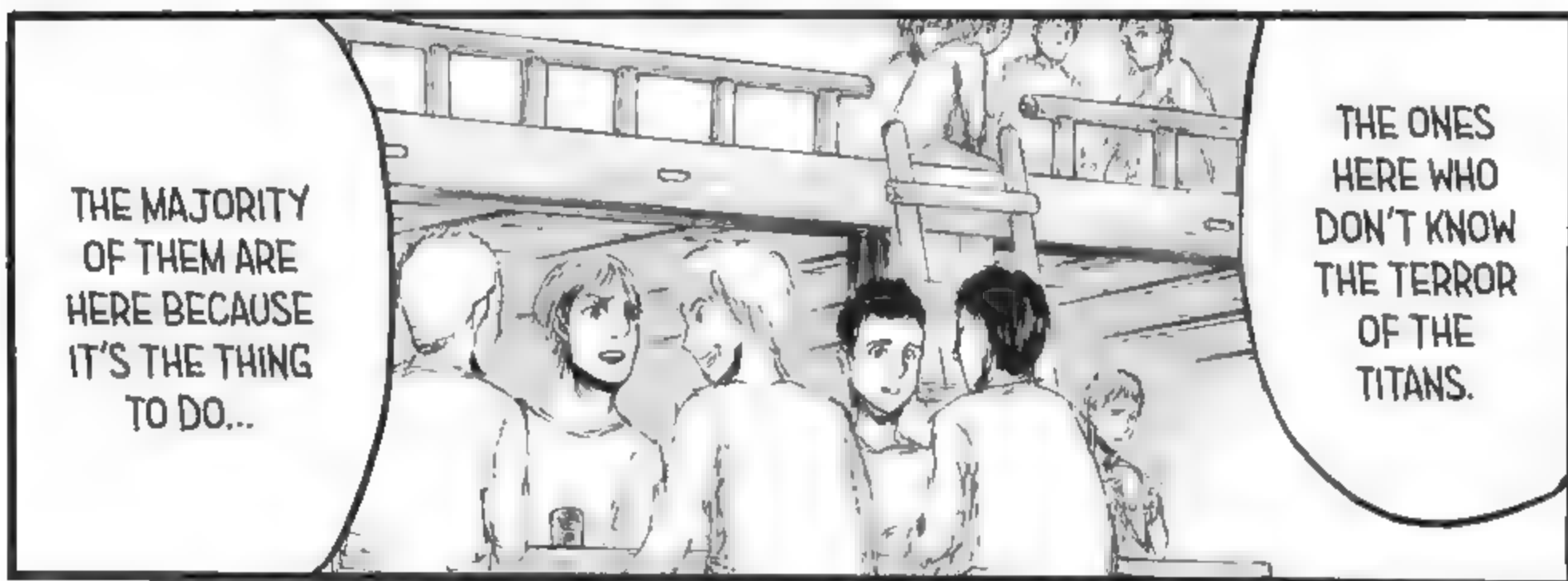
NEXT,  
WE  
PROBABLY  
WENT  
THROUGH  
THE SAME  
THING.



BUT  
WE GOT ON  
HORSES  
AND  
ESCAPED  
TO WALL  
SHEENA.

AFTER THAT...  
UM, I DON'T  
REALLY  
REMEMBER.  
EVERYBODY  
WAS  
PANICKING.









HUH ?



I'M  
JUST AS  
COWARDLY  
AS THEY  
ARE.



AND  
IF THAT  
DOESN'T  
WORK OUT, I  
MIGHT JUST  
CHUCK IT  
ALL...

I'M ATHLETIC,  
SO I CHOSE TO  
BE A SOLDIER,  
THINKING I'D  
USE MY SKILL TO  
BECOME AN  
ELITE MP.



...NO  
WILL  
OF MY  
OWN.

I'VE  
GOT...



AND  
PROTECTING  
YOUR OWN  
LIFE IS  
ADMIRABLE,  
TOO.

WELL,  
YOU DID  
GO  
THROUGH  
A LOT...



I ENVY  
YOU... FOR  
HAVING  
SOMETHING  
THAT'S MORE  
IMPORTANT  
TO YOU THAN  
YOUR OWN  
LIFE...





SO I'M  
THE  
CRAZY  
ONE...

PEOPLE JUST  
THOUGHT I  
HAD A SCREW  
LOOSE.

I'VE BEEN  
SAYING I WANNA  
JOIN THE SURVEY  
CORPS SINCE  
BEFORE THE WALL  
CAME DOWN...



...YOU DIDN'T  
CHANGE YOUR  
MIND?

...  
EVEN  
AFTER  
ENCOUN-  
TERING  
THE  
TITANS  
...



THEN  
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MM  
...?



EVERY  
LAST ONE  
OF THEM...

...IS MY  
NEED TO  
KILL THEM.



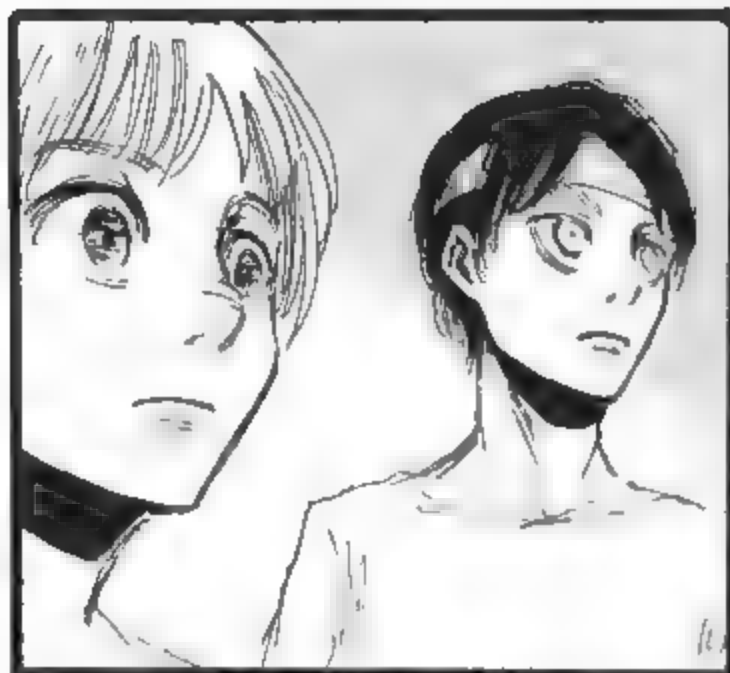
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WELL... RIGHT  
NOW, I DON'T  
KNOW IF I CAN  
ACTUALLY  
BECOME A  
SOLDIER...

AND I'M  
PLENTY  
TERRIFIED  
OF THEM.  
BUT  
WHAT'S  
STRONGER  
THAN  
THAT...





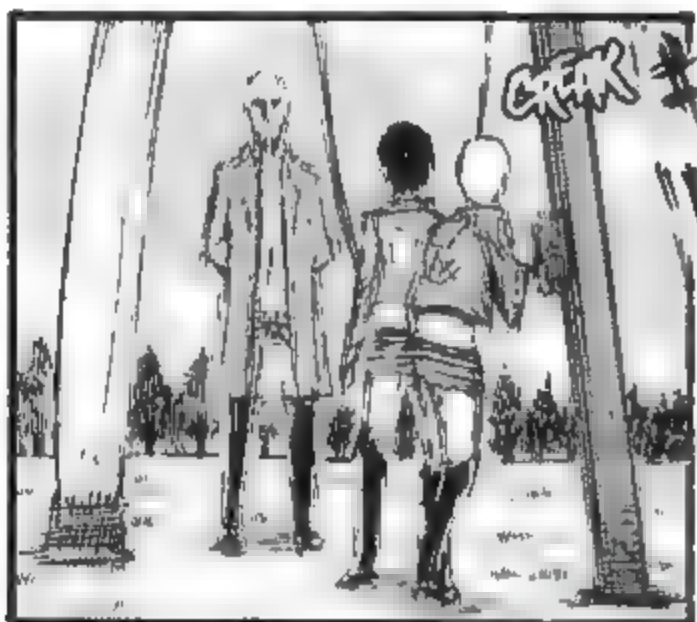














THAT'S  
MY  
WEAPON!

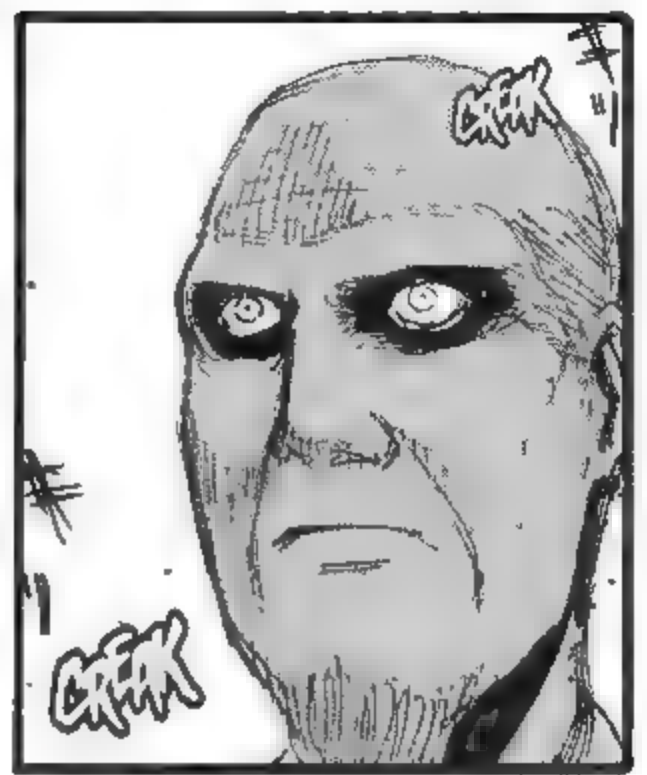
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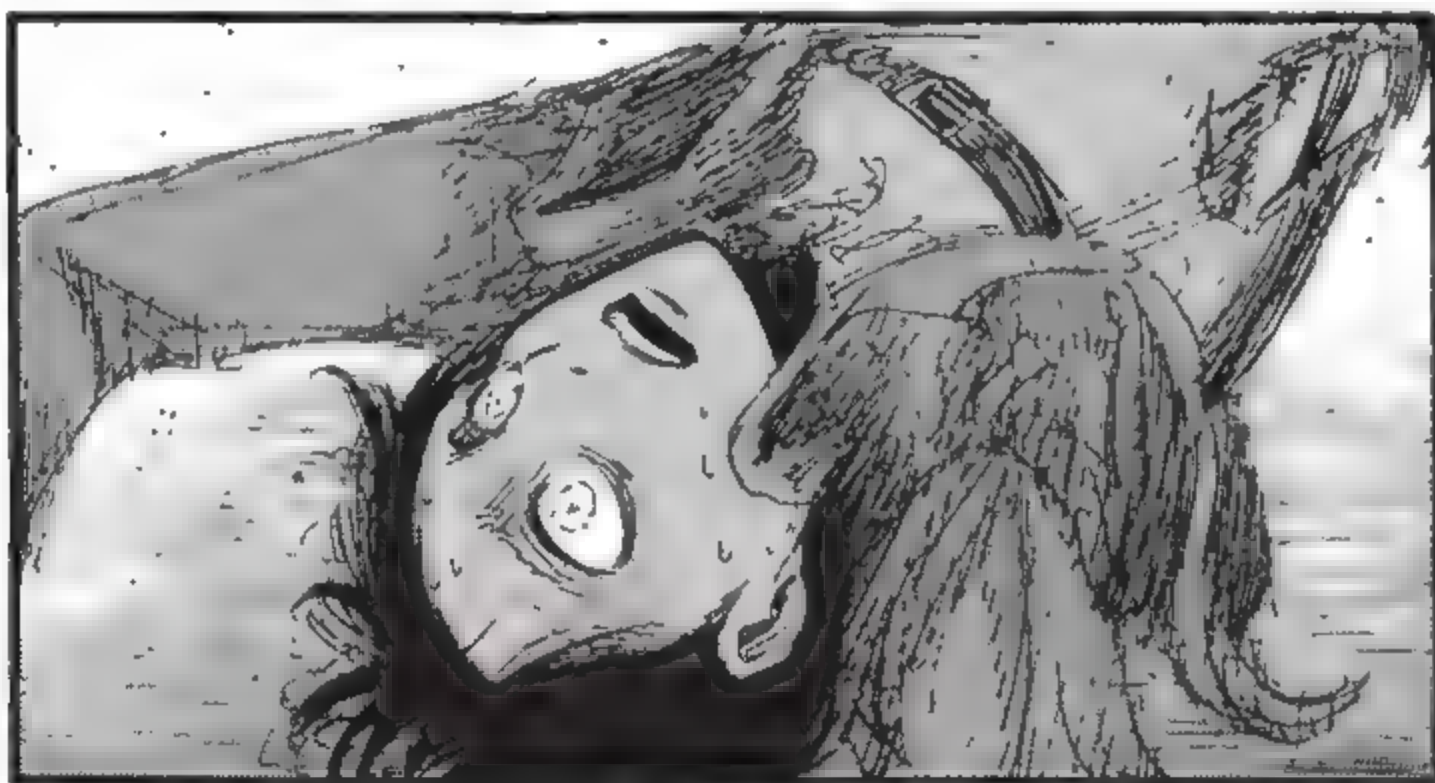
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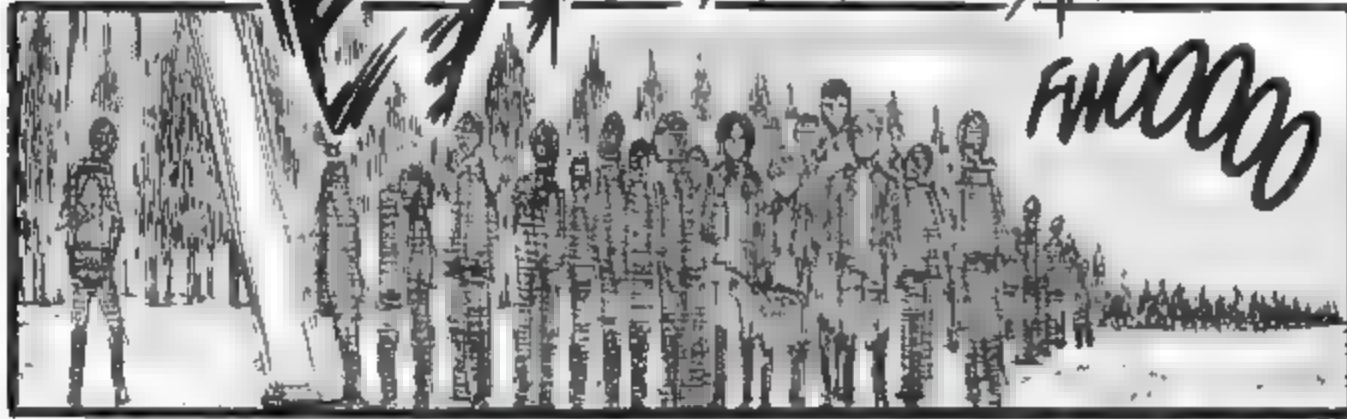
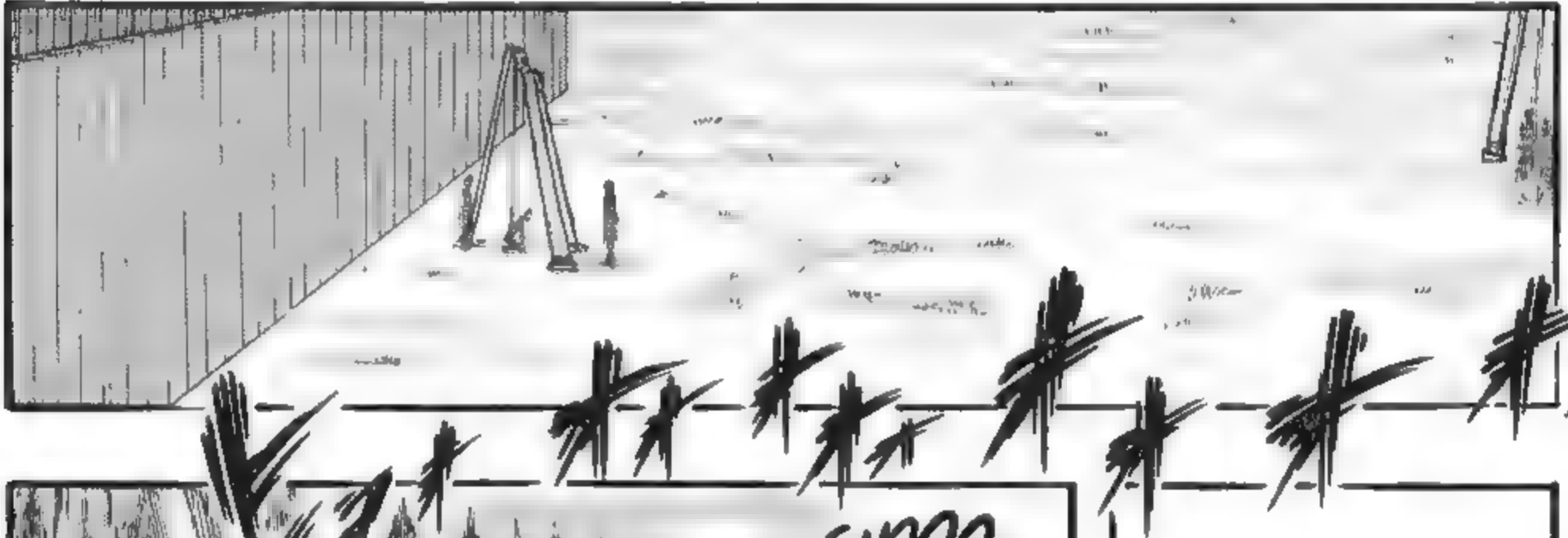




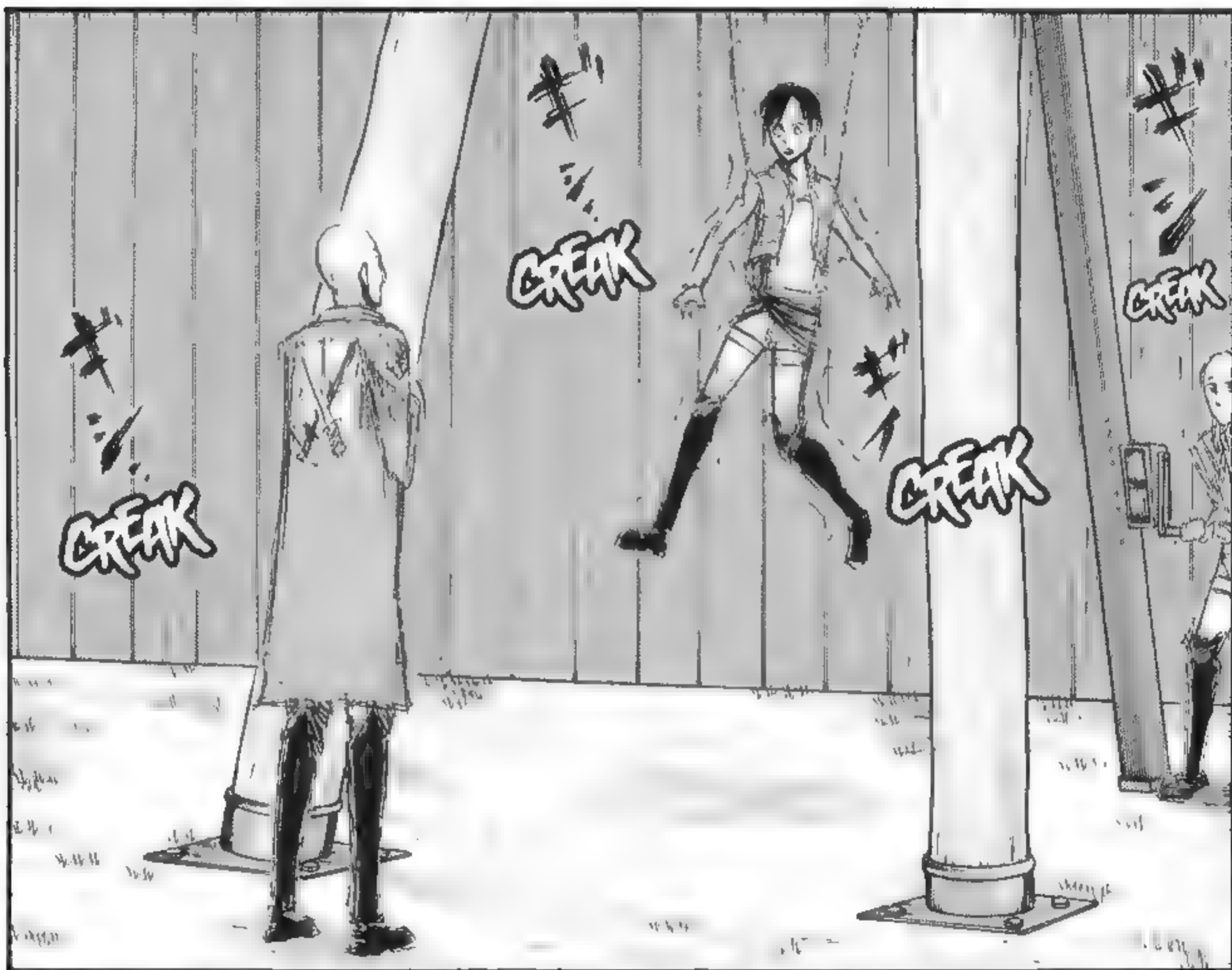
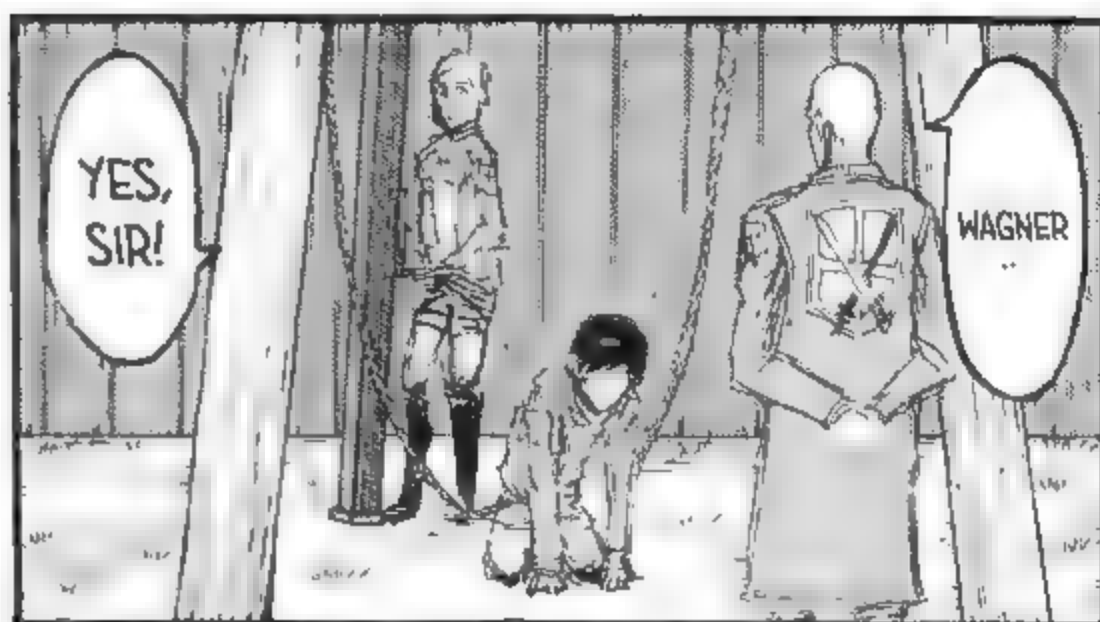
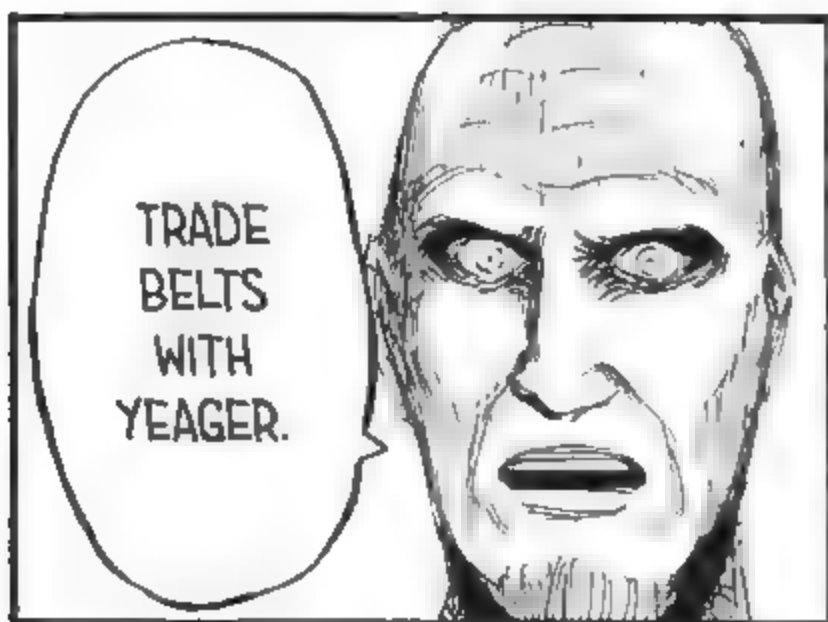




















HOW  
ABOUT  
THAT,  
MIKASA?!



YOU'LL  
NEVER HAVE  
TO TAKE  
CARE OF ME  
AGAIN!!







HE'S  
RELIEVED,  
BECAUSE  
NOW HE  
WON'T HAVE  
TO BE  
SEPARATED  
FROM ME...



WRONG.

HIS  
EYES ARE  
SAYING,  
"WHAT'D  
YOU THINK  
OF  
THIS?!"

IT  
LOOKS  
LIKE  
HE'S  
GETTING  
IT...



HE DOESN'T  
SEEM TO EXCEL,  
ESPECIALLY...

AND YET...



COULD ANYONE  
ELSE HAVE  
DONE THAT...?

...FOR A FEW MOMENTS  
THERE, HE MAINTAINED  
HIS BALANCE WITH THIS  
BROKEN EQUIPMENT.



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CREAK

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CREAK



GRISHA...  
TODAY,  
YOUR SON...

...BECAME A  
SOLDIER.





# Current Publicly Available Information

## 8. Vertical Maneuvering Equipment Training

HUMANS MOVE IN TWO DIMENSIONS, SO VERTICAL MANEUVERING EQUIPMENT TRAINING, IN WHICH THEY MUST ADAPT TO THREE DIMENSIONS, IS EXTREMELY DEMANDING. PHYSICAL STRENGTH IS MOST IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY LEG STRENGTH, THOUGH THE ABILITY TO ADAPT TO G FORCES (WHICH WOMEN PARTICULARLY EXCEL AT) AND A GRASP OF THREE-DIMENSIONAL SPACE ARE ALSO VITAL. WHEN IN MIDAIR, ONE MUST QUICKLY ASSESS THE SITUATION AND SURROUNDINGS, WHILE UNCOMMON WILLPOWER IS REQUIRED TO KEEP FROM PANICKING. THE VARIOUS TRAINING ACTIVITIES INCLUDE BUNGEE JUMPING AND GYMNASTICS WITH EQUIPMENT. AT ONE POINT, THE INSTRUCTOR WILL DELIBERATELY CUT THE LIFELINE (AN "AMBUSH" IN TRAINEE VERNACULAR). AT ANY RATE, IT WOULD BE HARD TO CALL THIS TRAINING "SAFE," BUT ANYONE WHO WOULD DIE DURING THIS PERIOD WOULD NOT STAND A CHANCE IN BATTLE AGAINST A TITAN, AND SOLDIERS WHO MANAGE TO GET THROUGH IT COME OUT WITH A STRONGER FIGHTING SPIRIT AND SELF-CONFIDENCE.



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